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Census 2024: Surallah's Numbers Are In—91,412 Population Counted

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The Municipality of Surallah in South Cotabato recorded a total population of 91,412 as of 01 July 2024. This comprised those residing in both households and institutional living quarters based on the results of the 2024 Census of Population conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) last year.

The results of the 2024 Census of Population was declared official by the Philippine President on 11 July 2025 through Proclamation No. 973 in accordance with Republic Act No. 10625 or the *Philippine Statistical Act of 2013*, and Executive Order No. 87, series of 2025.

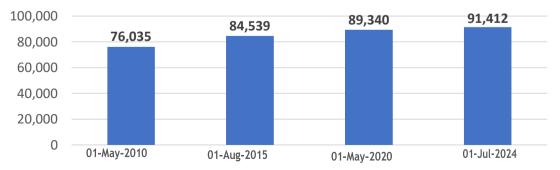
Table 1. Total Population in Various Census Years: Surallah, South Cotabato Census Years 2010 to 2024

Census Year	Census Reference Date	Total Population
2010	01-May-2010	76,035
2015	01-August-2015	84,539
2020	01-May-2020	89,340
2024	01-July-2024	91,412

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Surallah recorded an additional 2,072 individuals in the 2024 Census of Population (PopCen) from the 89,340 population recorded in the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (CPH). This translated to an increase of 2.3 percent from 2020 to 2024 or a growth rate of 0.55 percent yearly during the five-year period (2020-2024). The total population of Surallah ballooned from 76,035 in 2010 to 91,412 in 2024.

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8ANGA 91,536 TANTANGAN KORONADAL CITY 201,844 48,570 NORALA 48,499 41,026 42,304 SURALLAH 91,412 78,599 POLOMOLOK 176,671 LAKE SEBU TBOLI 105,296

Figure 2. Total Population By Municipality/City, South Cotabato Census Year 2024

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

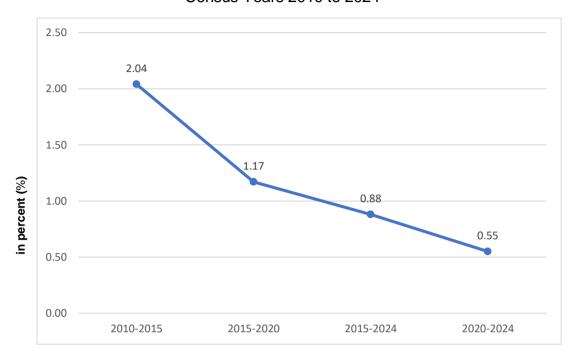
Surallah accounted for 9.1 percent of the 1,010,009 total population of South Cotabato in 2024. As of 01 July 2024, it has the 5th highest population among the 10 municipalities and one city (Koronadal City) in the province.

Overall, the population growth rate (PGR) of Surallah exhibited a declining trend across four census periods from 2010 to 2024. While the municipality posted an annual growth rate of 2.04 percent from 2010 to 2015, it slowed down to 1.17 percent during the 2015–2020 period. By 2020 and 2024, the PGR dropped to 0.55 percent. Over the longer period from 2015 to 2024, Surallah registered an average annual PGR of 0.88 percent, reflecting an overall slowdown in population growth in recent years.





Figure 3. Population Growth Rate in Various Census Years: Surallah, South Cotabato Census Years 2010 to 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

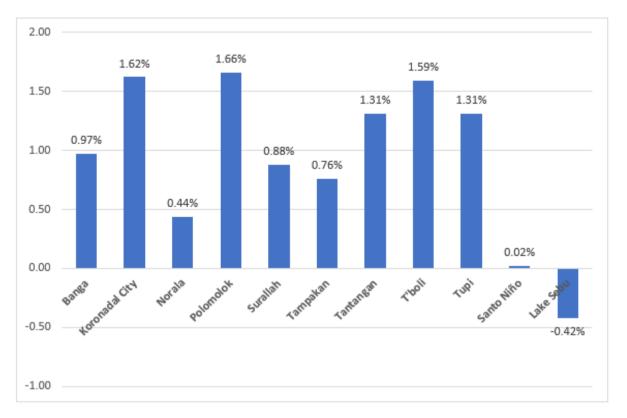
Table 2. Total Population By City/Municipality, South Cotabato: Census Year 2024

City/Municipality	01-May-2010	01-Aug-2015	01-May-2020	01-Jul-2024
SOUTH COTABATO	827,200	915,289	975,476	1,010,009
BANGA	76,343	83,989	89,164	91,536
KORONADAL CITY	158,273	174,942	195,398	201,844
NORALA	44,635	46,642	46,682	48,499
POLOMOLOK	138,273	152,589	172,605	176,671
SURALLAH	76,035	84,539	89,340	91,412
TAMPAKAN	36,254	39,525	41,018	42,304
TANTANGAN	40,461	43,245	45,744	48,570
T'BOLI	79,175	91,453	101,049	105,296
TUPI	61,843	69,976	73,459	78,599
SANTO NIÑO	39,738	40,947	39,796	41,026
LAKE SEBU	76,170	87,442	81,221	84,252

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Various Censuses



Figure 4. Annual Population Growth Rate By City/Municipality, South Cotabato Census Years 2015-2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

From 2015 to 2024, Surallah was the 7th fastest-growing municipality in South Cotabato, with an average annual population growth rate of 0.88 percent. In the top 3 were Polomolok (1.66%), Koronadal City (1.62%) and T'boli (1.59%). These three (3) LGUs including Tantangan and T'boli, both with PGRs of 1.31 percent, recorded growth rates within the 1.0% range.

Meanwhile, Lake Sebu was the only municipality to post a negative growth rate, declining at -0.42 percent during the same period.

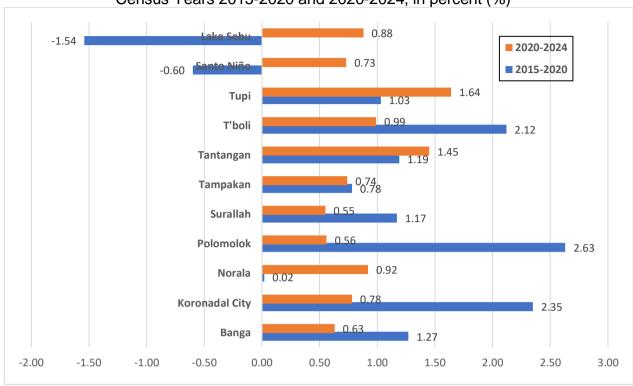
When comparing annual population growth rates between the periods 2015–2020 and 2020–2024, Surallah was among the six (6) LGUs that experienced a significant slowdown. Its growth rate dropped from 1.17 percent to 0.55 percent. Similar trends were observed in Koronadal City (from 2.35% to 0.78%), Banga (from 1.27% to 0.63%), Polomolok (from 2.63% to 0.56%), Tampakan (from 0.78% to 0.74%), and T'boli (from 2.12% to 0.99%).

These shifts highlighted a general deceleration in population growth across key areas of the province during the latter half of the decade.





Figure 5. Annual Population Growth Rate By City/Municipality, South Cotabato Census Years 2015-2020 and 2020-2024, in percent (%)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 3. Total Population By Barangay, Surallah, South Cotabato: Census Year 2024

	Total	
Barangay	Population	Share (%)
SURALLAH	91,412	100.0
Libertad	14,986	16.4
Centrala	12,195	13.3
Dajay	11,459	12.5
Colongulo	6,978	7.6
Tubiala	5,725	6.3
Naci	5,453	6.0
Lambontong	4,974	5.4
Upper Sepaka	4,007	4.4

	Total	
Barangay	Population	Share (%)
Moloy	3,966	4.3
Lamian	3,866	4.2
Lamsugod	3,516	3.8
Little Baguio	3,398	3.7
Canahay	2,742	3.0
Talahik	2,621	2.9
Buenavista	2,289	2.5
Veterans	1,874	2.1
Duengas	1,363	1.5

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority





As of 1 July 2024, Libertad with 14,986 population, was the most populous of the 17 barangays in the municipality accounting for 16.4 percent of Surallah's total population for the year. Aside from Libertad, Centrala (12,195) and Dajay (11,459) were the barangays in Surallah with population over 10,000.

Conversely, the barangays with the smallest populations were Duengas (1,363) and Veterans (1,874) with fewer than 2,000 residents.

Note:

As of 17 July 2025, the following tables are now available at: https://psa.gov.ph/statistics/population-and-housing

- 1) Table A- Population and PGR By Region and Province/HUC
- 2) Table B- Population and PGR By Region, Province/HUC and City/Municipality
- 3) Table C- Population By Barangay

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